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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM NEA/ARN DRAPER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, LE, US

SUBJECT: FMS FINANCING

1. SORRY FOR NOT INFORMING YOU EARLIER THAT PRESIDENT AGREED TO REQUEST FY 78 SUPPLEMENTAL OF \$50 MILLION IN FMS CREDITS, WITH PROGRAM RETURNING TO \$25 MILLION IN FY 79. THIS WILL BE NOTED IN BUDGET DOCUMENT BEING SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS, AND ACTUAL BILL WILL GO UP TO THE HILL FAIRLY EARLY.
2. LAST CYCLE OF THIS EXERCISE WAS CONDUCTED PRIMARILY BY PM AND T. THEY WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO AND COOPERATIVE WITH NEA. WE OWE THEM ONE.
3. WHILE WE NOTED THAT ON ONE OCCASION YOU MENTIONED TO

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BOUTROS THAT THE PROGRAM WAS IN TROUBLE, WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD SAY AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE ABOUT THE PROGRAM FOR THE MOMENT. CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES ARE ALWAYS UNCERTAIN. WHEN QUESTIONED, YOU COULD OF COURSE SAY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS SEEKING THIS SUPPLEMENTAL BUT THAT CONGRESS HAS TO APPROVE. VANCE

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